

## MR. THERRIEN'S REPORT.

In God's providence, I have been called to settle here at Grande Ligne as pastor of the church and missionary.

It was not without much "fear and trembling" that I accepted this post as my field of labor. Here had the sainted Mme. Feller and Mr. Roussy begun their labors of faith and love; here they had toiled—the first named thirty, and the last forty-five years. Here, such men as our estimable and beloved brother, Mr. Normandeau, and others had labored faithfully—all much better qualified than myself to occupy this most important station of our Mission. But thinking God had opened the way, I came with my family to Grande Ligne about the 1st of last May. The most pressing duties devolving upon me after my arrival were those of church re-organization. For reasons better known to my venerable predecessor than to myself, church regulations and church work had for a number of years been neglected, owing no doubt in a great measure to failing health. It soon became evident that a new organization was necessary. I found the people generally glad to join in that work; and the thing was done regularly and, I believe, thoroughly. The Sunday-School was also re-organized, and now forms one department of church work and promises to do much good. The number of attendants has increased, and they generally take much interest in the school.

We are happy to say that the Lord has not left us without tokens of his approbation in our work. It has pleased him to draw unto himself nineteen precious souls, who made a confession of their faith by baptism and united with the church. Of these converts ten were pupils of the Institute, and the rest members of the congregation outside the church; ten were lately converted from Romanism, among whom were the father and mother of a respectable family, two of their sons and their two daughters (two other sons of the same family had been baptized not long before); and two others were young women who had come to the knowledge of the truth of the Gospel in their native place on the Ottawa River, and who were directed by a devoted friend to Grande Ligne, where they found a refuge from the per-